

**A MEETING OF THE SEWER BOARD OF THE CIVIL CITY OF NEW ALBANY, INDIANA, WILL BE HELD IN THE THIRD FLOOR ASSEMBLY ROOM OF THE CITY-COUNTY BUILDING ON THURSDAY, MARCH 27, 2008 AT 8:30 A.M.**

**PRESENT:** Chairman Ron Carroll, Vice Chairman Bill Utz, Elizabeth Coyle.

**OTHERS:** Brian Dixon and Rob Sartell, EMC, City Clerk Marcey Wisman, Lee Buchanan and Kelly Welsh.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**APPROVAL OR CORRECTION OF THE FOLLOWING MINUTES:**

**Mrs. Coyle moved to approve the March 13<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes as amended, Mr. Utz second, all voted in favor.**

**BIDS:**

**COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC:**

**Dale Mitchell**, 7727 County Line Road, presented an amended plat to the board for signatures for Savannah Gardens.

**Mrs. Coyle** asked for an explanation of what they are doing.

**Mr. Mitchell** stated that they are building 30 condo units on Chapel Creek that was approved last year and explained that they have all of their permits and approval from IDEM.

**Mr. Buchanan** asked if he has paid for his tap fees.

**Mr. Mitchell** stated that they have already paid for 5 tap fees.

**Mr. Buchanan** asked if that is what their initial bid was going to be.

**Mr. Mitchell** stated that they have actually reduced it to 4.

**Mrs. Coyle made a motion to approve the signing, Mr. Utz moved to approve, all voted in favor.**

**The Board signed the plat.**

**COMMUNICATIONS - CITY OFFICIALS**

**Mr. Buchanan** stated that he has given each member work sheets of the IUS tap fees and he stated that it is a little bit lower than what was approved by the last board. He wanted to know if this is the amount that they authorized him to use.

**Ms. Wisman** stated that she and Mr. Buchanan looked into this matter but they couldn't find this but it was approved to calculate using the apartment rate.

**Mr. Utz** stated that was right.

**Mr. Carroll** stated that they are using a hybrid and they probably need to approve that again.

**Mr. Utz** stated that is quite a large break to give to them.

**There was a lengthy discussion regarding the rate that IUS was given.**

**Mr. Carroll made the motion to use the \$1399 rate for the IUS tap fee, Mr. Utz second, all voted in favor.**

**SEWER ADJUSTMENTS:**

**Ms. Welsh** presented sewer adjustment in the amount of \$265.89 for Brent Schroeder who had a busted water line under his house. She explained that Mr. Schroeder fixed this himself and he provided her with a Home Depot receipt but that he has a delinquent account and is asking that he be made to pay that amount before they do the adjustment.

**Mr. Utz moved to approve, Mrs. Coyle second, all voted in favor.**

**Ms. Welsh** presented a sewer adjustment for David Bowman for a water heater that burst. She explained that he supplied her with a plumbing bill showing that it did not go into the sewer system. She stated that this house had a charge off from a previous tenant in the amount of \$167.45 which would make his adjustment \$784.10.

**Mr. Utz approved the adjustment less the charge off, Mr. Carroll second, all voted in favor.**

**Ms. Welsh** presented letters that she had sent to attorney Chuck Murphy. She stated that his client had received pre-lien letters and they found that he is not on the landlord notification list and she is going ahead with the lien. She discussed a letter to Mr. Murphy for his client David Bower who claimed that he had never received notice but they had records showing that he had and included this documentation in the letter and they are going ahead with this lien as well. She informed the board that they have received an insufficient check for a tap fee in the amount of \$1,650.00 and the phone number that is on the check has been disconnected and she didn't know if they should forward this to the prosecutor.

**Mr. Buchanan** told her to forward this to the prosecutor.

**Ms. Welsh** informed the board that she prepared a letter for the Rustic Frog to TSI Paving regarding the leak they had and how their line was hit by TSI and if they approve the letter or make any changes she can get that sent out.

**Ms. Coyle made a motion to approve sending the letter, Mr. Utz second, all voted in favor.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item #1 - Harold Hart re: Highland Center additional sewer credits.**

**Mr. Hart** addressed the board regarding the Highland Hill Center explaining that when he was here last he had calculated the number of credits that he would need and he only requested 1,000 credits and he actually needs 3,767 credits. He is here today to request the additional 2,767 credits.

**Mrs. Coyle** reviewed his calculations to insure that he had calculated it correctly.

**Mr. Utz moved to approve the additional 2767 credits, Mrs. Coyle second, all voted in favor.**

**Mr. Carroll** asked for the engineers to explain to him what the credits are.

**There was a lengthy discussion regarding the credits and the number that the city has to give out and how they can acquire more credits.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Item #1 - Clark Dietz re: Project Update**

**Wes Christmas** stated that he has Mr. Coffman from Coffman Excavating here with the agreement for the Basin 18 project.

**Mr. Coffman** stated that everyone wanted this project to start at the golf course but his restoration man has informed him that the best time for reseeding to get the best germination is June 1-12<sup>th</sup>. He explained that they are only looking at 14 days for that to be completed and was here to ask the board if it was feasible for him to start at another location.

**Mr. Christmas** stated that the golf course is actually holding them up right now because they want more for the easement.

**Mr. Utz** asked Mr. Christmas if he would recommend them to approve Mr. Coffman's schedule.

**Mrs. Coyle** asked if this schedule is in a contract with the golf course.

**Mr. Christmas** stated that in the contract it is a suggestion.

**Mr. Utz moved to approve his scheduling plan, Mr. Carroll second, all voted in favor.**

**Mr. Christmas** stated that there would be a meeting tomorrow morning at 10:00.

**Mr. Dixon** asked that it be moved to 9:00

**Mr. Christmas** asked if anyone had questions regarding any other issues on his memo. He stated that the REL Force Main is complete and they will have received the final invoice from TSI for this project. He stated that there is a change order for this project that lowers the project by approximately \$3,000.

**Mrs. Coyle** asked what recourse they have if the germination does not take and the area becomes denuded.

**Mr. Christmas** stated that there is a 1 year guarantees that if germination is 60% or less they will reseed. He explained that Team has asked for a 60 day extension for final completion due to the wet weather. He stated that they are afraid that if they put the side walks in now they will settle and crack once the soil dries out.

**Mr. Utz** asked if the retainer will be held back.

**Mr. Christmas** said that it would.

**Mr. Coyle** asked if they are going to do the soil retention.

**Mr. Christmas** stated that was something they addressed when they talked about the extension that they would have to remain in place and be maintained.

**Mrs. Coyle made a motion to approve the extension, Mr. Utz second, all voted in favor.**

**Mr. Christmas** asked if anyone had any questions regarding Hans email requesting an extension to their contract to prepare the letters for the contractors to IDEM and EPA regarding capacity and a request to charge \$3000 now instead of \$2000. He explained that the reason for that was because the reports have consistently grown in size.

**Mr. Utz moved to approve, Mr. Carroll second, all voted in favor.**

**Mr. Utz** asked how they are under on the force main project when Indiana American caused us \$11,000 to move the water line.

**Mr. Christmas** stated that they estimated where that water line was to the best of their knowledge and when they got out there it happened that it wasn't in that exact location and made it a more difficult to get to.

#### **Item #2 - Donohue re: Project Update**

**Mr. Elling** reported that they have contact 25 contractors for the strainer project and they have only received 3 requests for information on the projects and the quotes are due next Friday and they will advise the board what to do after they receive those quotes.

**Mrs. Coyle** asked for an explanation on the strainer project.

**Mr. Elling** stated that when the plant water system is pull off the clarifiers it is strained to make sure they do not end up with particulate on pump seals and nozzles. He stated that they currently have manual ones in and the new ones will clean automatically.

**Mr. Utz** asked if his estimate was somewhere between \$50,000- \$60,000.

**Mr. Elling** stated that was right. He reported that on the 15<sup>th</sup> Street project it looks as if the most cost effective manner for the repair would be pipe bursting. He stated that the difficulty with pipe bursting is that there are short areas that have been lined with polyethylene which pipe bursting usually does not work well with.

**Mrs. Coyle** asked what they will do.

**Mr. Elling** stated that sometimes it does work in short areas, but if not they will do street cuts in those areas. He stated that they are also looking at putting steel casing around the line under the tracks. He explained that he has been trying to get in contact with the railroad to discuss their plans for the repair of the line.

**Mr. Utz** asked what the approximate footage was on that project.

**Mr. Elling** stated that it was about 2300 feet of sanitary and very similar on storm.

**Mr. Dixon** stated that in the past the only way to get a response from the railroad was to send a letter to the president.

**Mr. Carroll** said to send a certified letter to be sure that they received it.

#### **Item #3 - Request for Service for Value Place Hotels**

**Mr. Dixon** stated that they are not here but that they want to know how they can get 12,400 credits and they may be going into basin 32 which is close to capacity. He stated that there is more capacity in basin 25 but that would have to be released from Stonecrest before we can approve those being awarded to another project. He stated that he is going to recommend that they ask Value Place Hotels to pay for a study and that they contact Hans Peterson for a capacity certification letter.

**The board recommended to have the analysis done in order to determine the best course of action.**

**EMC REPORT:**

**CLAIMS:**

**Mr. Dixon presented the following claims:**

**Government Appraisal Services**

<b>Basin 18 Sewer Line Project</b>	Parcel 1	Frank Bennett	\$400.00
	Parcel 2	Edward Chambers	\$400.00
	Parcel 3	William Ehalt	\$400.00
	Parcel 4	Robert Hornung Sr.	\$400.00
	Parcel 5	Jacor Broadcasting	\$400.00
	Parcel 6	Carl Jenkins	\$400.00
	Parcel 7	NA Country Club	\$400.00
	Parcel 8	Valley Ridge	\$400.00
 <b>New Albany Floyd County Schools</b>			
Basin 35 Phase 1	Parcels 1 & 2		\$19,125.00
 <b>Donohue &amp; Associates</b>			
15 <sup>th</sup> Street Sewer Project	Invoice #12		\$3,121.20
Wastewater Plant Water Strainer	Invoice #3		\$3,885.21
 <b>Clark Dietz</b>			
Robert E. Lee Projects	Invoice #400772		\$23,288.18
Basin 18 Gravity Relief Sewer	Invoice #400739		\$6,360.00
Basin 35 Interceptor Phase 1	Invoice # 400740		\$1,635.00
Basin 35 Phase 1 RPR Services	Invoice # 400742		\$17,043.21
Basin 35 Phase 11 and 111	Invoice # 400743		\$3,450.00
 <b>Team Contracting, LLC</b>			
Emergency Sewer Repair	Invoice #08		\$9,534.00
 <b>Patriot Engineering</b>			
Robert E. Lee Testing Services	Invoice # 023481		\$60.00
 <b>EMC</b>			
Monthly Invoice Wastewater	Invoice # 200151126		\$278,817.20
 <b>K &amp; E Environmental</b>			
Monthly Invoice	Invoice # 545		\$3,776.52
 <b>PTS Services</b>			
Arc Flash Engineering	Invoice # 108029		\$8,012.50
 <b>Delta Services</b>			
Intermediate Backup Service	Invoice # 37352		\$18,000.00
 <b>AAA Plumbing</b>			
Lateral Service for Sunoco	Invoice 10448a		\$378.98
 <b>Roto Rooter</b>			
Lateral Sewer Repair	Invoice 259319		\$26,431.00
 <b>MAC Construction Excavating</b>			
Robert E. Lee Pump Station	Invoice # 6		\$219,554.50

**Team Contracting**

Basin 35 Interceptor Phase 1	Invoice # 6	\$44,933.38
Retainage Reduction	Invoice # 7	\$20,992.52

**TSI Paving**

Robert E. Lee Force Main	Invoice # 6	\$19,193.00
Retainage Release	Invoice # 7	\$28,260.90

<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>\$759,052.30</b>
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**Mr. Carroll made a motion to approve upon the reviewing the corrected copy, Mrs. Coyle second, all voted in favor.**

**Mr. Dixon** reported that they have before them their monthly report which has been sent over-night to the EPA.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the Sewer Board, the meeting adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ron Carroll, Chairman

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Marcey J. Wisman, City Clerk